

**METHODS AND DEVICES FOR REMOVING AN
OBSTRUCTION FROM A BLOOD VESSEL**

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5 The devices and methods of the invention are directed to various aspects of
removing obstructions in a blood vessel. A power source may be provided to facilitate
advancement of the device and engagement with the obstruction. The obstruction removal
device may have alternating large and small sections or may have one or more loops. In
another aspect, the obstruction removal device may have alternating sections wound with
filament and substantially exposed sections.

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